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## GRANGERS HEAR MANY PROBLEMS DISCUSSED

E. M. DEAN GIVES GRAPHIC PICTURE OF FARMERS PROBLEM OF KEEPING CHILDREN.

## MILK DEMONSTRATION MADE

Dr. Prinzing Presents Paper on the "Unfit," and Their Burden to Society—Arthur Kimball Discusses High Cost of Living.

Subjects covering various phases of economic and social service, beside practical farm and dairy problems featured the open session of the Boulevard grange held at the Grange hall last Saturday. Nearly 100 members with their families were present at the session which lasted all day varied with a community dinner at noon and an interesting musical program.

The morning session was given to the practical problems such as milk testing by Robt. Brown of Payette and talks on the cheese factory at Nyssa by E. M. Dean and the problems of dairy farming by Peter Tensen of Nyssa.

At the afternoon session D. C. Mullen, ex-Master of the Idaho State Grange told of the general work the grange is doing throughout the nation. The principal benefit he said was that which came from dignifying the farm industry and placing the farmers in a position where by organization they can command the respect and consideration of their fellow citizens. He pointed out by various instances where direct improvement of conditions have been achieved as the result of organized efforts on the part of the grangers. Among the most notable of these, he said, was the breaking of the milk distributing trust in New York City and Chicago. He urged the members to be loyal to the grange and to take a part in its meetings and assist in the upbuilding of the communities in which they live.

## Make Farm Homes Beautiful

"Statistics show," said E. M. Dean of Nyssa, "that most of the great leader in politics and finance in the great cities of America during the past half century have been farm born and bred. While the people of the country are proud of this fact, it has resulted in great loss to the agricultural industry. The best brains of the country has been given to the solution of the city problems when much of it should have been devoted to solving the problems of agriculture which are just as great and demand just as high a quality of brain power.

"But the people of the country have not made life in the country sufficiently attractive to keep the boys and girls on the farm. The home have not been beautified, good music and good books have been lacking. The women have been worked so hard that they have not been able to devote time to their great duty in life, companionship for their husbands and sons."

"Then too there has been too much classical and too little agricultural education in the country schools. There have been too many 'city girls' teaching in the country schools, when agricultural, manual training, domestic science and kindred subjects have been neglected. Fortunately these conditions are changing and we are getting down to business.

## Give the Boy a Chance.

"After a boy has worked hard in the field and has done the chores, there have been too many farmers who have said, 'now Johnnie hurry up to bed so you can get a good rest for there is a lot of work to do tomorrow.'

"What encouragement is it for a boy to know that he must work hard every day and get to bed early so that he can do another day's hard work?"

"The boys have to have a chance to enjoy life. They should be encouraged to take an interest in farm work. The work should be made as labor saving as possible. There are all kinds of ways of doing this now and the farmers should be progressive and that will make life on the farm pleasant and not a burden. This

## ELECTION OF FAIR DIRECTORS SATURDAY

PRESIDENT A. W. TROW, DIRECTORS C. R. EMISON AND H. C. BOYER TERMS EXPIRE.

## TROW WILL DECLINE TO SERVE

Press of Duties With Colonization Company Will Not Permit Further Connection With Fair Board.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Malheur County Agricultural association will be held Saturday. The meeting will take place at the city hall. The principal business will be that of electing three directors.

The men elected will succeed President A. W. Trow, Directors H. C. Boyer and C. R. Emison. So far as could be learned no names have been suggested for the places. Neither could be learned whether or not Messrs. Boyer and Emison would accept re-election.

## Trow Will Not Serve.

President A. W. Trow who has been head of the association for years and who has given freely of his time and strength for the upbuilding of the fair will not serve on the board again. In speaking of the matter to the Argus on Wednesday Mr. Trow said:

"After the first of the year I will have to devote all of my time and energy to the business of the Western Colonization company and it will not be possible for me to do justice to outside activities, therefore I could not accept re-election to the fair board."

Beside the election of directors the stockholders will hear the annual report of the officers and transact such other business as may come before the meeting.

## SECRETARY LANE TO RECOMMEND PROJECT

ADVISES RECEIVED WEDNESDAY INDICATE THAT THERE IS STILL HOPE.

## COL. WOOD TO LEAVE CAPITAL

C. W. Mallett Will Remain in Washington Until After the Holidays—Early Reports Were Adverse to New Work.

Advise were received this week by Howard Mallett from his father, C. W. Mallett, who with Col. C. E. S. Wood is in Washington, D. C., in the interest of the Warm Springs Irrigation district, which indicate that there is still hope for government aid in building the local project.

According to Mr. Mallett Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane, had reconsidered his previous determination not to recommend any new project to the present congress and that he would report favorably on the building of the King Hill project in Idaho and the Malheur, or Warm Springs project here in Oregon.

Mr. Mallett also reported that Col. Wood, would leave Washington today for Portland having several important legal cases on the coast requiring his attention. Mr. Mallett, however, will remain in Washington until after congress re-convenes after the holidays.

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"Learn to work with your fellows. It is not enough that you should tolerate them and avoid wronging them. It is not enough that you should mind your own business and be self-supporting. Civilization has been created and is carried on by team work. Get into the game. Take your part in the great collective struggle to make life more worth while for everybody. Study to combine your efforts with the efforts of others in this great enterprise, tactfully, intelligently and effectively."  
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## What Is Ontario's Greatest Need In Your Opinion?

### Get a Cannery Says Rancher

What Ontario needs most is a canning factory of some kind.

There is no use trying to bring ranchers here with the expectation that they can make a living off fruit unless there is a market for what they raise.

Soft fruits and apples cannot be sold to good advantage as soon as they are ripe and there is an awful lot of waste, and that means the loss of what might be the ranchers' profit if it could be marketed.

Then a canning factory would not only help the fruit rancher but it would help the city by giving employment to many citizens during the canning season. By adding a cold storage station to the canning plant the ranchers would be certain that the crop which could not be early disposed of could be held until the market would be favorable.

There is plenty of land here to supply the needed crops for both these institutions, and since they would aid both the rancher and the city they should be secured. They are Ontario's greatest need at this time.

W. C. D.

## SISTERS APPEAL FOR FOR NEEDY PATIENTS

Little Stockings With Verse at Post-Office Seek Pennies for Each Year of Donors Life.

In order that those patients at the hospital, who would not otherwise be remembered at Christmas may have a pleasant day and thus not feel their loneliness the Sisters last week sent out appeals to generous Ontarians and friends of the hospital seeking a little gift.

The Sisters were modest in their quest for help and the appeal certainly will not be unheeded for all that was asked was the gift of one penny for each year the giver had sojourned on this earth. A neat little sock was enclosed in the envelope to carry back the gift.

The Sisters here, as in every city, have many charity patients from whom no contribution is expected and who being without relatives or friends must pass a cheerless Christmas so while remembering other needy ones a little donation sent to the Sisterhood will find a good use.

## GOODFELLOWS START SUBSCRIPTION LIST

Families Who Might Otherwise Be Missed Will Receive Substantial Christmas Cheer.

R. W. Swagler and Sprague Adam with other members of the Goodfellows committee of the Oregon club circulated a subscription list for Christmas donations on Tuesday.

The Goodfellows have about a dozen families whose circumstances merit assistance at the Christmas season and to whom a substantial Christmas dinner will be sent so that there will be no families in Ontario who will feel that Christmas day is one on which they should not be thankful.

## TWO CARLOADS OF WAR HORSES BOUGHT HERE

A. McWilliams during the past ten day has purchased two carloads of riding horses and cobs for the Holland company of Kansas City. Hal Holland came to Ontario Tuesday and inspected the mounts some of which equalled the best shipped from this region since the war started.

Mr. McWilliams is in the market for riders and cobs, full age five to nine years and will continue to ship from this section all winter.

## CHRISTMAS RUSH AT POSTOFFICE IS HEAVY

Started Earlier Than Usual This Year and Volume Is Greater—Say Officials.

The rush of Ontarians at the post office with their gifts started earlier than usual this year according to Postmaster Jake Gregg and his assistant George Bender. Not only have the gifts started on their way sooner but the volume is greater than ever before. The incoming bundles too, show increases so that taken from every angle Ontario will not only be a generous Christmas giver but will be a bountiful recipient of the season's blessings.

## CHRISTMAS EXCURSIONS RESULT IN BIG SALES

More than \$1000 worth of railroad travel was purchased Wednesday by Ontarians. This was the result of the Christmas excursions on the Union Pacific lines which certainly proved their popularity. The following is the list of those who left Ontario for various points for the holidays: Mrs. F. S. Bailey, Los Angeles; T. D. Barton, Edia Taylor and Alda Cesther, St. Louis; Irene Clark, Visalia, Calif.; G. W. Lyle, Denver; B. Z. Taylor, T. W. Griep, Omaha, C. F. Cox and family, Grinnell, Iowa; Edmund Butler, Woodbine, Iowa; J. R. Richards, Kansas City; T. V. Mahan, G. W. Willis and V. A. Chambers, Portland and Ross Purhiser, La Grande.

## EASTERN STARS ELECT OFFICERS FOR 1917

At a recent meeting of the chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star the following officers were elected: Mrs. Minnie Latson, worthy matron; W. F. Homan, worthy patron; Mrs. Ella Bailey, associate matron; Miss Margaret Dunbar, conductress; Mrs. Anna M. Newton, associate conductress; Mrs. Anna Homan, secretary; Mrs. J. H. Farley, treasurer. The newly elected officers and those to be appointed will be installed at the meeting on January 11.

## WHITLEY BOTTOM.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Boor gave an oyster supper to Messrs. and Mesdames Wayne, C. E. Stewart, Ralph Jones and Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Silkett of Fruitland and Kenneth Edison.

The J. H. Boor family spent Sunday at the Chas. Lockner home. Prof. Cox spent the week end at his home near Ontario.

## BIG BEND ORCHARD SOLD TO DR. SMITH

BIGGEST TRANSACTION IN ORCHARD LANDS IN CONSUMMATED RECENTLY.

## OTTO C. MILLER HANDLES DEAL

454 Acres All in Trees Five and Six Years Old—Deal Runs Into Six Figures—Miller Sees Prosperity Coming.

Otto C. Miller of the Dead Ox Flat region was in Ontario Tuesday on business. While here he reported the sale of the Payette Valley Land & Orchard company's big orchard on the bench opposite Ontario to Dr. C. J. Smith of Portland. The sale was negotiated by Mr. Miller and is the largest deal in developed orchard land ever made in this section.

In the piece there are 454 acres all in commercial apples. The trees are five and six years old. Dr. Smith will improve and develop the holding as a commercial orchard for some time but may split it up later.

Mr. Miller while here also reported the sale of 720 acres of Dead Ox Flat irrigated land. This sale was made to seven residents of Illinois while Mr. Miller was in the East. The land belonged to Mr. Graham and to Mr. Miller, the former having 640 and the latter 80 acres. It is all in alfalfa.

Mr. Miller says that there are many farmers in the Middle West contemplating coming west in the spring and nearly all want alfalfa land. The opening of the Warm Springs district he says will bring hundreds of farmers to this section. To be in a position to handle some of this property Mr. Miller expects to open an office in Ontario.

## BRANCH TRAINS TO CHANGE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY IS DATE SET FOR INAUGURATION OF SIX TRAIN PER WEEK SERVICE TO CRANE.

## SERVICE VAST IMPROVEMENT

Burns, Crane, Brogan, Jamieson, Nyssa, Kingman Colony, Homedale and Jordan Valley Unite with Ontario for Change.

After several weeks of consideration the Oregon Short Line officials have determined to institute the changes in train schedules on the branch lines sought by the traffic committee of the Ontario Commercial club in conjunction with representatives of various cities on the lines and in the interior. The changes will be effective on Sunday.

By the terms of the new schedule there will be a six day per week schedule between Ontario and Crane, between Ontario and Homedale and between Ontario and Brogan. There will be no trains on the branches on Sundays so far as the local committee knows now, tho that may be changed later.

The new schedule is the result of united effort on the part of the various communities along the lines to better the general service. The local commercial club committee was authorized in behalf of Burns, Crane, Brogan, Jamieson, Nyssa, Kingman Colony, Owyhee, Jordan Valley and Homedale to proceed with the necessary steps to get the change. Vale was the only station which objected. All of the communities interested sent delegates to Nampa where the matter was adjusted and a spokesman from each community declared in favor of the changes proposed.

The new service will permit Jordan Valley people to get mail and express every day and will bring that section nearer to the center of Malheur county business interests. It will also permit the people of Crane, Burns and the interior of Harney valley to get out this way every day.

## BUSINESS MEN GET BEHIND POULTRY SHOW

COMMERCIAL CLUB ENDORSES MOVEMENT FOR BENEFIT POULTRY BUSINESS.

## HAS BEEN GREAT HELP TO CITY

Growth of Poultry Business Here this Fall Declared to One of the Most Substantial in Evidence.

Ontario is to have a real live poultry show here January 4, 5 and 6. The business men of the city manifested their interest in the project at a meeting of the Commercial club Monday evening and named committee to further the work.

Dr. A. G. Moore, and H. H. Tunny representing those interested who first launched the movement were present at the meeting and told the club of their plans. Without debate it was decided to give every assistance possible.

On the motion of J. R. Blackaby a committee consisting of Dr. Moore, Mr. Tunny and Max Mueller was named to take full charge and to name subcommittees to assist them. G. K. Alken and H. A. Christensen were named to interview the business men for support of the project.

According to the plan presented by Dr. Moore it is the purpose of the men interested in poultry to form a permanent poultry association with dues paying members so that the institution will in the future be self sustaining. With the funds secured from the business men it is their plan to have built collapsible bench coops so that these can be used in future shows, thus the donations this time will be of a permanent and material benefit.

## Poultry Checks Large.

According to many of the business men present at the meeting the growth of the poultry business in the vicinity of Ontario has been one of the substantial assets of the city this fall. Thousands of dollars, it was asserted, have been paid to poultry raisers here and wagon load after wagon load of chickens and turkeys have found their way to market here.

"I have been surprised at the growth of the business," declared Mr. Blackaby. "The size of the individual checks which some of the ranchers have cashed is surprising and in view of what such an industry means to city I feel that everything should be done within reason to promote a poultry show or anything that will encourage the development of the business.

"One of the things I have noticed is that the people who bring poultry here to sell do not all come from the immediate vicinity of Ontario. Many of them are comparative strangers here. We should help to develop this market for them."

E. A. Fraser and H. C. Boyer emphasized the fact that the poultry business was not a seasonal one either in that poultry was sold the year round and that for this additional reason it helped to improve the financial condition of the ranchers and the city as their market.

This was the only important matter brought before the club, the usual reports were read and bills passed.

Miss Grace Gilliam of Pilot Rock is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. G. Howe. Miss Gilliam is treasurer of Umatilla county.

The following is the summary of the new schedule:

Oregon Eastern Branch	
Mixed—Daily Except Sunday	
Leave	Arrive
10:00 a. m. Ontario	2:00 p. m.
7:30 p. m. Crane	5:30 p. m.
Brogan Branch.	
Mixed—Daily except Sunday.	
1:30 p. m. Ontario	5:50 p. m.
3:30 p. m. Brogan	3:30 p. m.
Homedale Branch	
Mixed—Daily except Sunday.	
Leave Ontario 8:15 a. m.	
Arrive Nyssa 8:35 a. m.	
Leave Nyssa 9:25 a. m.	
Arrive Homedale 10:35 a. m.	
Leave Homedale 10:55 a. m.	
Arrive Nyssa 12:05 p. m.	
Leave Nyssa 1p:10	
Arrive Ontario 12:30 p. m.	

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